

Louisiana's Coordinated System of Care Severely Emotional Disturbed Children's Waiver and Adult Mental Health Services Transition Plan

Section 1: Assessment

Action Item	Description	Proposed Start Date	Proposed End Date
Settings Analysis	<p>Louisiana will assess all HCBS rules/regulations and policies/procedures to determine degree of compliance with HCBS setting rule.</p> <p>Louisiana will identify HCBS settings as they potentially conform to the HCBS setting rule and ability to comply in the future.</p>	8/1/14	10/31/14
Participant Experience Survey	<p>Louisiana will obtain feedback from HCBS participants to determine if their services are provided in HCBS settings and if they reside in a provider owned or controlled setting.</p> <p>If participants' report they reside in a provider owned or controlled setting, Louisiana will determine if participant has control over their environment and access to the community.</p>	3/1/15	Ongoing
Provider Self-Assessment	Louisiana will gather additional information from providers serving HCBS participants to assess whether service sites have the characteristics of HCBS.	3/1/15	12/31/15
Analysis	Louisiana will compile and analyze the results of the settings analysis and onsite assessment. Findings will be presented to stakeholders.	6/1/15	5/30/16

Section 2: Remediation

Action Item	Description	Proposed Start Date	Proposed End Date
Informational Letters	Louisiana will draft and finalize informational letters describing proposed transition, appropriate HCBS settings, deadlines for compliance, and technical assistance availability.	10/15/14	11/15/14
Louisiana Administrative Code	Louisiana will revise rules as necessary to reflect federal regulations on HCBS settings. Training will be provided to licensure/certification staff on new setting requirements.	3/1/15	4/30/16
Service Definition Manual	Louisiana will revise the service definition manual as necessary to incorporate regulatory requirements for HCBS and qualities of an HCBS setting.	3/1/15	6/30/15
Enrollment	The enrollment process will be revised to collect information on the proposed service setting to ensure it comports with the HCBS setting rule. Training will be provided to the Statewide Management Organization's enrollment staff to heighten scrutiny of new providers/settings.	3/1/15	6/30/15
Provider Assessment Findings	HCBS providers will submit a corrective action plan for any settings that require remediation. The corrective action plan will provide detail about the steps to be taken to remediate issues and the expected timelines for compliance. These plans will be reviewed and approved by the Transition Plan interagency oversight workgroup. Technical assistance will be available to providers who need additional support.	4/1/15	3/17/19

	Locations presumed to be non-HCBS which are found to have the qualities of HCBS will be submitted to CMS for heightened scrutiny review.		
Participant Transition to Compliant Settings	Louisiana will develop a process for assisting participants to transition to a new setting as appropriate. Participants will be given timely notice and due process, and will have choice of alternative settings through a person-centered planning process. Transition of participants will be comprehensively tracked to ensure successful placement and continuity of services.	3/1/15	ongoing
Quality Framework Strategies	Louisiana will develop and monitor setting outcome measures.	3/1/15	ongoing

Section 3: Public Comment

Action Item	Description	Proposed Start Date	Proposed End Date
Announcement of Public Notice	Louisiana will include a white paper and draft transition plan on a designated website. Providers and stakeholders will be notified of the opportunity to provide public comment by direct email. Louisiana will also publish a public notice in all the major newspapers in the State.	10/15/14	10/31/14
Public Comment Period and Forum	<p>Louisiana will conduct a webinar series to highlight the settings requirement and offer insight into what changes will be required and when those changes are effective.</p> <p>Louisiana will host public forums to obtain feedback from stakeholders.</p>	11/1/14	11/7/14

Public Comment Retention	Louisiana will safely store public comments and state responses for CMS and public consumption.	11/1/14	3/17/19
Transition Plan Revision	Louisiana will post each approved iteration of the transition plan to the designated website	11/1/14	3/17/19